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Bischof sent demand notices for payment to the warden of the El Reno federal prison in Oklahoma City, according to prosecutors.

They allegedly filed claims against his property, then hired someone to seize his vehicles, freeze his bank accounts and change the locks on his house.

Believing the warden's property had been seized, the inmates allegedly said they would not return it unless they were released from prison, according to the indictment.

But the person supposedly hired by the four inmates turned out to be an undercover FBI agent, said prosecutors.

The four and another man, who allegedly assisted in their scheme, have been charged with conspiring to impede the duties of federal prison officials and with blackmail.

If convicted, they each face up to 16 more years in prison and a \$500,000 fine.

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Born - or not?

A pink slip of paper known as the "Libro de Extranjería", or "Foreigner's Register" is stopping some mothers from registering their newborn's birth. The document is supposed to be issued by hospitals when a foreign mother gives birth in the Dominican Republic. Unfortunately, some hospitals recently have not been issuing it, meaning that some babies have been born, but officially they don't exist!

Jeannette Rodríguez
Mallet is one such mother, a
United States citizen of
Dominican origin who recently
gave birth to her daughter in the
Dominican Republic. Because
the hospital didn't issue the
correct paperwork, she cannot
officially register her with the
US consulate, get her a passport
and take her back to the US.

She is not the only person in this predicament. There are many foreign mothers working with international organizations and diplomatic missions who are in the same situation.

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(JCE) and the Public Health Secretary have taken responsibility for the situation. A lawyer for Ms. Mallet explained that the Ministry of Health simply hasn't got the funds to pay for the printing of the forms. The "Foreigner's Register" was only brought in recently and according to the lawyer, no foreign babies born since have been registered.

The JCE and the Ministry of Health have stated that they are working hard to resolve the situation.

Maggots found in man's head

A US holidaymaker got a nasty surprise when he discovered the lumps on his scalp were live maggets.

Aaron Dallas, from Colorado, US, sought medical advice when the bumps appeared on his scalp after a trip to Belize.

But it was not until the bumps started moving that doctors realised Dallas had five live botfly maggots inside his head, reports Sky News.

"I'd put my hand back there and feel them moving. I thought it was blood coursing through my head," said Dallas.

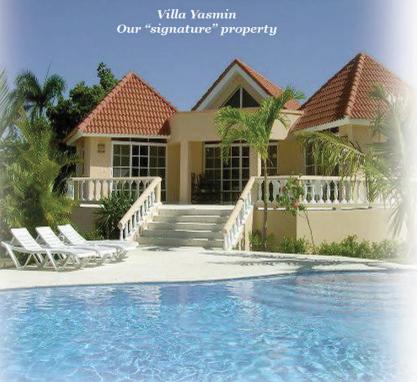
"I could hear them. I actually thought I was going crazy."

Adult botflies are larger and more aggressive than European flies. One type attacks livestock, deer and humans.

They rely on mosquitoes, stable flies, and other insects to carry their eggs to a host, which in this case was Dallas.

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